

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution to extend congratulations to the North Dakota State University football
2 team for earning the program's 10th national college football championship since 2011.

3 **WHEREAS**, on Monday, January 6, 2025, the North Dakota State University Bison football
4 team defeated the Montana State University Bobcats in the Football Championship Subdivision
5 national championship game in Frisco, Texas; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the victory was the 10th college football championship for North Dakota State
7 University since 2011; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the impact of the victory was not only felt within the North Dakota State
9 University community, but across the entire state of North Dakota; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the achievement showcases the hard work, discipline, and determination that
11 defines our state and our academic institutions and their tradition of excellence; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Bison student-athletes set the standard both on the field and in the classroom,
13 with 20 student-athletes across five sports earning the prestigious NCAA Elite 90 award for the
14 highest grade point average at national championships; and

15 **WHEREAS**, over 57 percent or 253 student-athletes have earned a cumulative grade point
16 average of 3.5 or higher and 83 of those have a perfect grade point average of 4.0; and

17 **WHEREAS**, this win not only reinforces the state's legacy of excellence but also highlights
18 the endless possibilities available in the state, propelling the state's communities toward greater
19 accomplishments;

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF**
21 **NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

22 That the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly offers its deepest congratulations to the North
23 Dakota State University Bison football team for earning the program's 10th national college
24 football championship since 2011; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 2 to the President of North Dakota State University, the Athletic Director of North Dakota State
- 3 University, and the Head Coach of the North Dakota State University football team.